

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Jeremy Stieglitz, et al.

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For: DYNAMICALLY MITIGATING A
NONCOMPLIANT PASSWORD

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Examiner: Chinwendu
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SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

Examiner Chinwendu Okoronkwo contacted the undersigned representative of the applicants by telephone on October 1, 2007 at two times. To the extent that the two telephone calls constituted an interview of the Examiner, the following is a statement of the substance of the interview.

The Examiner proposed that the Office perform “compact prosecution” by proposing to allow the claims if the applicants agreed to amend all the independent claims to recite the features of claim 2 and claim 14, except for the second feature of claim 2. The applicants’ representative requested a citation of alleged prior art to justify the narrowing of the claims, and in reply the Examiner identified U.S. Pat. No. 7,134,015 and 7,191,466. The applicants’ representative stated that the references failed to disclose all the features of the claims, such as the recitation in claim 1 of “determining whether the password meets quality criteria; and if the password does not meet the quality criteria, performing one or more responsive actions that

relate to accessing the service” because the references do not address “quality criteria” of passwords. The applicants’ representative did not agree to amend the claims. No agreement was reached with respect to allowability of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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